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City and County of San Francisco

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco is proud to celebrate Black History Month and in doing so is pleased to pay tribute to the late Dr. Espanola Jackson who was a local hero and pioneer in the City's civil rights movement; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jackson was a champion for human rights advocacy and worked tirelessly with the San Francisco Human Rights Commission toward ensuring that people of color were treated with dignity and respect; and

*WHEREAS*, The San Francisco Human Rights Commission bestowed its inaugural "HERO" Legacy Award to Dr. Jackson in 2012 in recognition of her life-time achievement and outstanding contributions to human rights advocacy; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jackson was known as "Mother Jackson" in her beloved Bayview Hunters Point and Visitation Valley communities, Dr. Jackson was also a prominent community leader whose wealth of knowledge, wisdom and history motivated other civic leaders to be accountable by challenging them to do the work they were entrusted to perform on behalf of the people of San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jackson served on the San Francisco Redevelopment Joint Housing Committee and continued to fight for affordable housing. Dr. Jackson was instrumental in building the Southeast Community Facility, one of the largest San Francisco City College branches and was committed to the fight for educational and training opportunities for children and adults in District 10; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jackson was a member of the San Francisco Jewish Committee and the Conference on Religion, Race, and Social Concerns, she conducted outreach work for the senior community and served on the Model Cities Health and Welfare Task Force and helped form the California Association for Health Education Employment and Dignity; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jackson was born on this day, February 9, 1933, it is with great respect that the San Francisco Human Rights Commission as a part of its regular meeting and in conjunction with Black History Month is proud to honor and acknowledge her legacy; now

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Edwin M. Lee, Mayor of the City and County of San Francisco, in recognition of her outstanding service to the people of the City of San Francisco do hereby proclaim February 09, 2017 as...

## DR. ESPANOLA JACKSON DAY

In San Francisco!

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City and County of San Francisco to be affixed.

Edwin M. Lee Mayor